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PETITION	FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 3	Docket Number (Optional)			
FY 2006 (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)			111483 (formerly 76288-88036)		
Application Number 10/729,068			Filed 12/05/2003		
For LOW-WATER CUT-OFF SYSTEM					
Art Unit 2856			Examiner Paul M. West		
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filling a reply in the above identified application.					
The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):					
		<u>Fee</u>	Small Entity Fee		
	One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	s	
	Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225	\$	
✓	Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510	<u>\$ 510.00</u>	
	Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1590	\$795	s	
	Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080	s	
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.					
A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.					
Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.					
The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.					
The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to					
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	attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 38,726				
	attorney or agent under 37 CFR Registration number if acting under				
	/Ari M. Bai/		11/28/2006		
	Signature		Date		
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